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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled: "BALSAMIC SAUCE FOR ALIMENTARY USE, WITH A BASIS OF BALSAMIC VINEGAR OF MODENA"

\_\_\_\_\_, the specification  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Sir:

The undersigned, being the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the captioned patent application, hereby appoints Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, 919 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022, including all of the attorneys of CUSTOMER NO. 31013 as my attorneys with full powers of substitution and revocation, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office and in the Courts in connection with the above-identified patent application and any Letters Patent resulting therefrom. All prior powers of attorney are hereby revoked. Please send all communications to the attention of CUSTOMER NO. 31013.

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